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at all on moral but on psychological grounds. Indeed, the psychological effect of the contrasted study is weakened by the lady's later delinquencies.

But the fundamental conception of the book is a strong one and is admirably carried out, and remains interesting to the end. We repeat, Miss Elliott has nowhere done better and more delicate work than in "The Making of Jane."

THE BENEFACTRESS. By the author of "Elizabeth and Her German Garden." The Macmillan Company. 1901.

"The Benefactress" is a delightful story of an ideal gentle Englishwoman transplanted to Northern German soil, near the Baltic shore, a little way out from Stralsund. We confess that, with Anna and young, inconsequent Letty, we also take down our atlas to be quite sure just how far north and deserted a spot it is. The leading character is finely drawn. Her sheer delight at the unexpected small fortune left her, the puzzle of her unsophisticated nature to her German acquaintance, the charming inconsequence of her schemes for rendering happy a number of bereaved women who must have known restrictions as she has felt them, the sound, sensible German companion she finds, and the high-minded neighbor she must inevitably confess her love for at a critical moment in the life of both, the dismal spiritual failure of the Utopian dreams, the feeling for forest and sea, the genuine beauties of the North German nature effects, the insight into character and comprehension of both the best and the pettiest in national and personal traits, the delicate but pungent satire penetrating the entire manner and style—are enchanting. For those who know Germany and the Germans, who have lived something of this life, and can best note the many delicate touches—and why not also for others?—despite obvious faults in construction and thinness of plot, the book is a continuous delight.

ANOTHER WOMAN'S TERRITORY. By "Alien." New York: Thomas Y. Crowell & Co. 1901.

"Another Woman's Territory" deserves mention, if for no other reason, for the figure of Ruth Opie. It is on ac-